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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 686
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A RESOLUTION to honor Laura Amelia Bruce, 2000 Valedictorian of Hampshire High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly should honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Laura Bruce is one such outstanding student who has distinguished herself as valedictorian of the 2000 class at Hampshire High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Laura has achieved extraordinary academic success, and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, Laura has been recognized for her spirit, drive, and ambition, exemplified by her enrollment at Columbia State Community College for the past two years; she placed third out of 600 participants in Columbia State's American History program; and

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WHEREAS, demonstrative of her intellectual prowess and inner drive, Laura attained a perfect grade point average of 4.0, maintaining status on the honor roll for four years; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable young woman is the pride and joy of parents Larry and Kaye Bruce; and

WHEREAS, she also demonstrated her musical talent and ability on the piano and violin; and

WHEREAS, Laura Bruce participates in the Hampshire Beta Club, and competed in state and regional Business Professionals of America contests; and

WHEREAS, Laura has been listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, and was voted by her classmates as "Most Likely to Succeed"; and

WHEREAS, Laura Bruce's display of intellectual prowess and inner drive surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend 2000 Hampshire High School Valedictorian, Laura Amelia Bruce, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy and successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

